

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-7 (Canceled)

8. (Previously presented) A method for the prevention or reduction of gastrointestinal *Campylobacter* infection in a mammalian animal, the method comprising feeding said animal—a foodstuff having_a probiotic microorganism, wherein the probiotic microorganism is *Lactobacillus* having accession number NCIMB 41117.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Canceled)

11. (Previously presented) The method, as claimed in claim 8, wherein the foodstuff is a dry pet food.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Canceled)

14. (Canceled)

15. (Previously presented) The method, as claimed claim 8, wherein the *Campylobacter* infection is *Campylobacter jejuni*.

16. (Previously presented) The method, as claimed in claim 8, wherein the animal is a cat, dog or a human.

17. (Previously presented) A probiotic microorganism, for use in preventing or reducing gastrointestinal *Campylobacter* infection in a mammalian animal, wherein the probiotic microorganism is *Lactobacillus* having accession number NCIMB 41117.

18. (Previously presented) The probiotic microorganism, as claimed in claim 17, which is comprised in a composition.

19. (Canceled)

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20. (Canceled)

21. (Canceled)